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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

This Amendment is responsive to the final Office Action mailed on June 6, 2007. In this Amendment, claims 1-2, 4-12, 14, 16-17, and 19 are canceled. This is done to obviate the rejection of claims 1-2 and 4-12 under 35 USC 112, 2nd paragraph at page 2 of the final Office Action. Entry of this Amendment is requested as it reduces the number of issues on appeal as Applicants are filing an Appellant's Brief concurrently herewith.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, Applicants believe all claims now pending in this Application are in condition for allowance. If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at 415-576-0200.

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